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In re application of: Xu, Haiyan, et al.
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 For: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR USE OF INFLAMMATORY
 PROTEINS IN THE DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF METABOLIC
 DISORDERS

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated November 22, 2004, Applicants hereby elect Group I, Claims 1-2 and 7-10, in so far as they are drawn to a method of identifying a nucleic acid molecule associated with a metabolic disorder, or to a method of identifying a subject having a metabolic disorder by detecting the presence of a nucleic acid molecule, classified in class 435, subclass 6.

Applicants hereby reserve the right to traverse the above restriction with respect to non-elected II-V in this or subsequent applications.

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This paper is being filed timely as a request for a two-month extension of time is filed concurrently herewith. No additional extensions of time are required. In the event any additional extensions of time are necessary, the undersigned hereby authorizes the requisite fees to be charged to Deposit Account No. 501668.

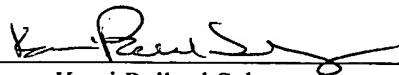
Entry of the remarks made herein is respectfully requested.

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